

3.0 Definitions

Following are definitions applicable to the self-evaluation report. Many of the definitions are found in the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the Title II Technical Assistance Manual.

3.1 "Auxiliary Aids and Services" includes:

- (a) qualified interpreters or other effective methods of making aurally delivered materials available to individuals with hearing impairments;
- (b) qualified readers, taped texts, or other effective methods of making visually delivered materials available to individuals with visual impairments;
- (c) acquisition or modification of equipment or devices; and
- (d) other similar services and actions.

ADA Title II does not require a public entity to provide to individuals personal devices, such as wheelchairs; individually prescribed devices, such as prescription eyeglasses or hearing aids; readers for personal use or study; or services of a personal nature including assistance in eating, toileting, or dressing.

Aids and services for persons with hearing impairments may include: qualified interpreters, note takers, transcription services, written materials, telephone handset amplifiers, assistive listening devices, assistive listening systems, telephones compatible with hearing aids, closed caption decoders, open and closed captioning, telecommunications devices for deaf persons (TDD's), videotext displays, or other effective methods of making aurally delivered materials available to individuals with hearing impairments.

Aids and services for persons with visual impairments may include: qualified readers, taped texts, audio recordings, Brailled materials, large print materials, or other effective methods of making visually delivered materials available to individuals with visual impairments.

3.2 "Department" means the Department of Parks and Recreation, City and County of Honolulu.

3.3 "Director" means the director of the Department of Parks and Recreation.

3.4 "Disability" means, with respect to an individual, a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more of the major life activities of such individual; a record of such an impairment; or being regarded as having such an impairment.

3.5 "Program Accessibility" means a public entity's services, programs, or activities, when viewed in their entirety must be accessible to and usable by individuals with disabilities. This standard, known as program accessibility, applies to all existing facilities of a public entity.

3.6 "Qualified Individual with a disability" means an individual with a disability who, with or without reasonable modifications to rules, policies, or practices, the removal of architectural, communication, or transportation barriers, or the provision of auxiliary aids and services, meets the essential eligibility requirements for the receipt of services or the participation in programs or activities provided by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

3.7 "Reasonable Modification" means any change in program or activity or in the way things are customarily done that enables an individual with a disability to enjoy equal program opportunities. Modification also includes making existing facilities and equipment used by individuals readily accessible and usable by individuals with disabilities. Modification is not required if (1) it changes the essential nature of a program or activity; (2) it creates a hazardous situation; (3) adjustments or modifications requested are primarily for the personal benefit of the individual with a disability; or (4) it poses an undue hardship.